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PUGET SOUND PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTOR SOCIETY

WHAT: REGULAR MEETING OF PSPCS

WHERE: KENT COMMONS 525 4TH AVE N, KENT WASHINGTON

WHEN: THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH (EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST).
NEXT MEETING IS 4/20/17, 7 - 9 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM)

WHY: TO SHARE AND ENJOY THE COMPANY OF OTHER WHO ARE
INTERESTED IN COLLECTING EVERYTHING PHOTOGRAPHIC

MEETING AGENDA: A SHORT BUSINESS MEETING, SHOW & TELL, PROGRAM,
CAMERA REPORT, AUCTION (ONE ITEM PER MEMBER) AND DOOR PRIZE

Special points of interest:

- *Our 37th Camera Show*



Bob Kelly's Camera Display



Show Experience Weekend April 7-8 at Kent Commons

PSPCS PHOTOGRAPHICA 37TH ANNUAL SHOW

The largest one day Camera Sale, Swap and Show in the Western United States was held on Saturday April 8th 2017 with over 400 in attendance. Over 150 six foot tables piled high with digital, antique, "user" and collectable photographica was displayed or offered for sale or trade by collectors from across the Western United States and Canada. There were seventeen display tables exhibiting unusual photographic collectables from the collections of Puget Sound Photographic Collectors Society members. The sale/show was sponsored by the Puget Sound Photographic Collectors Society, and the 37th Annual Show was the best one yet as many dealers told our show chairman!

Additional Tidbits on the Web

Other Argus camera information on the web: Argus Museum: in Ann Arbor, MI

Ever wondered about that old light meter in your Dad's gadget bag. Check out James Ollinger's Exposure Meter Collection

Western Photographic Historical Society (WPHS)

The Photographic History Society of New England (PHSNE)

The Photographic Historical Society Rochester NY (TPHS)

PSPCS on Facebook.
New updated web-site of PSPCS

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PSPCS Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2017

The Meeting was called to order by Walt Hughson at 7:00PM. There were 24 members or guests in attendance. One new member joined the club.

Officers present were: Walt Hughson – Vice President, Don Friend – Secretary.

Officers absent were: Mike Immel – President, Treasurer – Shirley Sparrow

Announcements: There will be a barn sale this Saturday March 18th at Bob Kelly's.

Show Report: All preparations are going well for the April 8th show. 120 tables have been spoken for so far.

New Business: No new business

Show and Tell: Six members showed or presented eleven items for show and tell.

Camera Report: Mike Comstock presented a talk about a GAF camera that was made by Chinon. Franklin Polk will give presentation at the April meeting.

Auction: Two items were presented for auction and sold for a total of \$39.00.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Contact Information

The Bellows Newsletter is published 10 times per year by the Puget Sound Photographic Collectors Society, Inc. Editor: Michael Immel email—shutterf64@yahoo.com

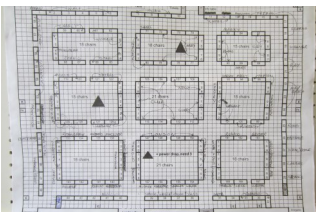
Information for the Bellows should be sent to: shutterf64@yahoo.com

The PSPCS internet address is <http://www.pspcs.org>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Puget-Sound-Photographic-Collectors-Society/125678560778201>

Wiki - <http://fastglass.wikispaces.com/>

Dues are \$20.00 per year (Jan-Dec) and should be sent to Treasurer Shirley Sparrow, 300 Pease Road Cle Elum, WA. 98922. (509) 674-1916, Email: sesparrow9@msn.com



16th Annual ACG Gathering Overview

The Sixteenth Annual Gathering of the Argus Collector's Group is being held in Eden, North Carolina, May 18th - 21st, 2017. This event which began as a get together for ACG member from the East Central part of the United States has turn into a wonderful gathering of Camera collectors from all over the world.

In years past we have had members from Washington State, Colorado, Ohio, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Canada, and even a wonderful couple from Australia.

This year promises to be just as exciting with people from all over bringing displays of cameras, photos and other Photographica to share with the group. The best thing that is always shared at these gatherings is the wealth of knowledge of the attendees.

The event is again sponsored by the Argus Collector's Group (an internet email group of friends and collectors) and the Virginia Carolina Classic Camera Enthusiasts (a Martinsville club of camera collectors and friends).

A photo contest will be held on Friday and Saturday, so bring your best Argus shooting camera.

In years past the spouses of our members have enjoyed the event just about as much as the collectors themselves. There are a lot of things to enjoy but it seems that everyone enjoys the meals together. (who does not like food)

This event is financed on a shoestring, and we will be asking for donations to help defray the costs.

For more information:

<http://www.arguscg.org/events/gathering/>

Friday Night Charlie Kamerman provided our Show Experience Weekend talk

To a standing room only crowd, Charlie Kamerman delivered this year's Show Experience Weekend talk, "Highlights of the Kamerman Collection." His world class collection, began in 1979 and constrained by requiring nearly every item that had a box be collected with a box, was initially limited to Kodak items, including cameras, film, accessories, darkroom equipment, point of purchase items, dealer advertising and literature. It expanded to include items from companies acquired by Eastman Kodak Company, and eventually to all photographic companies.



A series of exhibits at camera shows led to museum-quality displays filling entire rooms with high ceilings. He planned to create camera store displays for every decade from about 1880 to 1980 with window and inside advertising, plus interior cases filled with inventory and promotional items. Although he amassed sufficient material to do so, he never had the opportunity. This explains why his collection has so many duplicates.

The breadth and depth of this amazing collection is evident from the vast number of items—estimated at over 10,000—often with complete sets of a camera series, including all lenses and various accessories. Some research questions have been answered because boxes occasionally reveal information found in no other way.

The only possibility to now view the Kamerman Collection is by the extensive photographs of its items, only a small fraction of which could be included in his talk. The entire collection, completely packed in boxes, is in the process of being sold item by item.

For those who missed the Friday evening talk, Charlie's show display on Saturday consisted of a self-running version of the presentation. A laptop connected to a large TV quickly ran through all 130 slides as he answered viewer's questions.

Interesting contacts emerged from the talk and the next day's display.



More pictures of the show. Top Left clockwise - crowd from the Friday night talk; Customers enjoying the show; Bryan Ilyankoff and his Navy Photographic History display; Box camera display and PSPCS Button Display by Stu Curry

